AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please replace Figs. 1 and 2 with the following replacement drawings submitted herewith.

No new matter has been added.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet: Two (2) drawing sheets (Figs. 1 and 2)

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REMARKS

Claims 7-9 have been canceled. Therefore, claims 1-6 are all the claims pending in the application.

The drawings are objected to because Figures 1 and 2 fail to have the label prior art.

Claims 1 and 5-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C 102(b) as being fully anticipated by Bayer et al. (U.S. Patent 6,392,904).

Claims 2-4 and 7-9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The Applicants traverse the rejections and request reconsideration.

Formal Matters

The patent office is requested to consider the IDS filed on September 2, 2005 and provide the Applicants with the signed and initialed copy of the corresponding form PTO-1449.

The Applicants respectfully submit replacement drawings with Figs. 1 and 2 duly marked "prior art," to overcome the objections thereto.

Claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 1 has been amended to include claims from allowable claim 2. Amended claims 2-3 depend on claim 1.

Claim 4 has been amended to included limitations from allowable claim 7 and original claim 6. Amended claims 5-6 depend on claim 4.

In view of the above changes, all the pending claims are believed to be allowable.

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In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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